OUR WAR WITH MONACO.

When I last visited Monaco I found that enightened community in a state of exaspera-tion against everything that is American, I even detected covert hostility in the manner of dear liers of the Beau Rivage Hotel, who had formerly received me with so much polite-After breakfast, during which meal the waiter gland at me with undisquised hatred, 1 went to my my respects to our diplomatic representative an acquaintance of old in Ohio The Consul's face was baggard, as if from pretracted anxiety. He was putting the final hes to an elaborate tollet.
What is the trouble, Green?" I demanded.

The Consul sighed repeatedly while he was ing his reply. The excellent fellow had basis of adorning his ordinary conversation with the phraseology of an official despatch This process required more or less time, but the effect was impressive.

"I must inform you." he said, " that the rela tions between the United States and the Indopendent Principality of Monaco, cordial as the have been in the past, are approaching a crisifall of peril. Recent events justify the apprebenslons which I have from time to time expresed in my communications to the Dopart ment of State at Washington. It would be folly to concent the fact that the present attitude of the Court of Prince Churles III. is anything bu friendly to our own Government; or that the situation is one which calls for the utmost wat highess and the most delicate diplomacy I have the honor to add that I shall be both pru-

Yes," said I: " but what is the row about?" "To-complication," he replied, emphasizing that word, "arises partly from the dark intrigues of the crafty statesmon who surround the Prince, and partly from the behavior of Americans here and at Nice, particularly Titus. 'And who the deuce is Titus ?"

"George Washington Titus," he replied, with a took full of gloom, " is a man whose exist ence and nots embitter my official career; yet 1 see constantly yielding to the remarkable influence which he exerts over me, as over most people with whom he comes in contact. George Washington Titus is a perpetual source of danger to the peace that has been maintained so long between the United States and Monaco: and when he is with me I cannot help being carrist away by the reckless enthusiasm of hi nature. To employ a colloquialism, he has kent me in hot water ever since he arrived. Pardo me; but, privately and personally and aparfrom my official capacity, I sometimes say to my self. Confound George Washington Titus!"
"Now." I remarked, "I am just as wise as

The story is a long one, and, as in every atfair of international moment, the details are many and complicated. I am about to have an Interview with the Hereditary Prince, and shall officially request an explanation of certain things. Come with me to the Palace. I will give you the facts as we walk." It is only a step from the American Consulate

to the Palace, and the Consul's narrative advanced slowly, owing to the dignity of its nerieds. For convenience, I had better join what he told me on this occasion with what I after-ward learned respecting the difficulty.

Since 1869, when Prince Charles III, abolish effaxation, the revenue of the Government of Monaco has been derived exclusively from the gaming tables at the Casino. The Prince's subjects, nearly six thousand souls, have been prosperous and happy, having no taxes to pay and plenty of travellers to fleece. The income n the Casino has been large enough to meet all administrative expenses, to support the Court in a style befitting the importance of the oldest reigning family in Europe-for Prince to the Grimaldi of the tenth century-and to leave a handsome annual surplus, part of which has been wisely devoted to a system of Internal improvements. In pursuit of this policy, it had been deter-

nined about a year before to blast out the large nck at the mouth of the cove behind the Palace The Prince's pavy, which consists of a steam much of about twelve tons burden, armed with a swivel gun, is accustomed to ride at mehor in this cove when not actively engaged. The rock seriously impeded the free ingress and egrees of the navy. The contract for th early of removal was awarded by Rassia Minis. ter of Marine, to Titus, an American engineer.

Up to the time of Titus's arrival in Monneo. the Americans had been popular with the subjects of the Prince. They were liberal in expending money, rarely disputed reckening at the hotels, cafés, and shops, and contributed argely to the revenue of the Casino. The official pathway of my friend, the Consul, had ain over rosebeds. Titus hisoself won much appause at first. He was a tail, good-looking morean, who had been Major of Engineers in the Union army. A genial and sometimes roistering companion of men, gallant in hi bearing toward the Indies of the Court, skilful in his attack on the obnoxious rock, he had enjoyed for a time a pronounced success in Monaco. The people watched with pride the operations of his divers, the work of his steam dredge, the arrival and unloading of the square tin cans of dynamite which came consigned to him from Marseilles. He was in a measure idential d with the mysterious forces of Nature. and therefore a little feared; but it was gen erally conceded that he deserved well of the

Soon, however, he was unfortunate enough to facurthe displeasure of several very influen-tial personages; and although be himself cared the peninsula, the Consul, who felt more or less responsible for him, thenceforth trod on thoms. Titus's decline in prestige was due to

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Inght, being in his cups, he had knocked blonslour De Mussly, the Generalissimo Arony, who had ventured to remonstrate in for practising the war whoop of the can Indian in the public square in front I hause. On receiving a challenge, the norning from the outraged warrior. Thus august, and offered to swim with De ly due south across the Mediterranean one or the other should be drowned. The was brought to the attention of the Traces because by Mansbur Goybet, Advocantain, but Consul Green succeeded in a the charge suppressed.

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be about the proper of Monaco of Mon me the Court, and neglected no means to in-me the prejudices of the populars.

Such, then, was the situation when I accompanied Consul Green to the Palace.
At the threshold of the mansion inhabited by

the descendants of the Grimaldi, we encoun-

weed a gorgeous usher wearing a heavy gold

chain upon the breast of his crimson volvat robe. He led the way across an inner sourt and up a flight of marble steps, at the top of which he surrendered us, with a magnificent bow, to the keeping of Monsieur Ponsard, Commandant of the Palace. Ponsard, in his turn, conducted us along a corridor and through a se ries of stately apartments to the office of the First Chamberlain, who after some delay ushered us into the presence of the Grand Almone of the Prince's Household. This eminent individual was seated at a deak writing. H greefed Green deremoniously. He was aware that Monsieur the American Minister had au dience that morning of the Hereditary Prince but His Serene Highness was just now review ing the army in the pinus before the Palace His Screne Highness would soon return. I Monsieur the Minister and his friend would like to witness the pageant, there was an admirable view of the plaza from the balcony of the Salon des Muses, the third apartment to the left. The Chamberlain would show the way.

"A polite old gentleman," I remarked, as w ollowed the Chamberlain to the Salon des Muses "That extraordinary man," whispered Green with a touch of awe in his voice, " is Monsignor Theuret, one of the most astute statesmen Europe. His influence at court is practically oundless. He combines ecclesiastical with secular functions, being Apostolic Administra or and Bishop of Hermopolis, and at the same time Grand Almoner of the Household and Sa perlutendent of the third Salle of the Casino Being one of the chief lenders of the anti-Titus party, he both hates and fears me; yet did you

serve how well he dissembled?"
"It strikes me," said I, " that this doubling p of offices is rather droll."

"It is necessary," returned Green, with perect gravity, " in Monaco, where the total population is not large. The First Chamberlain shead of us here, as well as the Commandant o the Palace and the usher with the gold chain nct at night as croupiers at the Casino. Cheva ier Vollver, Minister of Foreign Affairs, leads the Casino orchestra. He is an excellen musician and rather friendly to our interests masmuch as I have on several occasions rep lered him triding services of a pecuniary nature. But I must admit that, in statecraft the Chevalier is weak and irresolute. He is hardly more than the tool and creature of Mon signor Theuret, whose ambition is as limities:

as his ability is diabolical." The First Chamberlain left us on the balcony thence we commanded a view, not only of the plazes below, but of nearly the entire Principality. One could have fired a pistol ball into the Mediterranean, either to the west or to the south, and to the north the French frontier was within long rifle range. The Palace itself shut off the eastward view; but Green informed mo dist the sea boundary on that side, with the cove where the navy rode at anchor, was careely a stone's throw away. Opposite were the grounds of the Casino, the long stuccoed façade, the round concert kiceque he theatre the restaurants, and the shops of he basaar. Above this seductive ostablishmen foated a captive balloon, in which visitors might useend to the length of the rope for twenty

From the balloon overhead I turned my attention to the spectacle in the open piazza in front of the Palace. Sidewalks, steps, doorways, and windows were thronged with loyal subjects of Charles III. Directly beneath us on a fine black stallion, sat the Hereditary Prince, motionless as a statue. The army of Monaco, commanded by the intrapid De Mussly. marched and countermarched before him, exhibiting its proficiency in all the evolutions known to modern military science. In their smart red uniforms and white cockades, the thirty-two carabineers, who constitute the effective force under De Mussly, presented a truly formidable appearance, wheeling to and fro. The Generalissimo had drilled them to march with that peculiarly victous fling of the legs which is taught in Prussian tactics; and when they came kicking across the square in fours, wheeled suddenly into a sixteen front ine, halted before the Hereditary Prince, and grounded arms with a simultaneous clang o lirty-two earbline butts against the pavement brave after brave arose from the delighted rested for an instant upon His Serene High-

ness's countenance. Just then I observed the eccentric actions of an individual half way across the square, who seemed to be trying to attract our notice. He whistled through his knuckles, waved both arms in the air, and then, apparently dissatisfled with the result of these demonstrations, from the nearest soldier and raised his own silk hat on the muzzle high above the heads of the crowd. Having restored the gun to the astonished warrior, he expressed his low opinion of the army, for our benefit, by neans of a derisive pantomime, and began to bow his way through the ranks toward us.
"It is Titus," grouned Green. "He is contininfly compromising me in some such way."

The Consul endeavored in vain to discoun-enance our fellow citizen below, by staring fixedly in another direction. Titus was not to be snubbed. He shouted, "Hi! Green," and, Oh! Green," until he obtained the full attenion of my embarrassed companion.

Be sure to beat home by two o'clock, Green. roared Titus. "I have important news." Thereupon he gleefally flourished before our faces what looked like an official document, and hurried away.

When the First Chamberlain came to summon Green to his interview with the Hereditary Prince, I returned to the Consulate to await im. He rejoined me at a little before two o'clock. "Well, what luck?" I inquired.

"The outlook is gloomy," he replied, norvously. "The faterview was most unsatisfactory. In order to commit the Government of Monaco to some definite form of complaint. I requested His Highness to say candidly in what the American people had offended him. The Prince regarded me steadily with his dark, piercing eyes, and at last re-pild; 'Pouf! You Americans talk loudly at our tables a hote, bully our crouplers. browbeat our gendarmes before our very face, and make yourself generally obnexious.' I perceived, of course, the disingenuousness of this answer, but managed to control my indignation. His Highness next asked me a good many questions about the financial and material reources of the United States Government, the efficiency of its military and naval forces, its debt, annual revenue, and so on. I need not say that my answers to all these questions were guarded and discreet, I then pressed the Prince o tell me if there was any truth in the report that a personnge high in the Court had a pecuniary interest in fomenting trouble between the United States and Monaco. I thought the Prince winced a little at this home thrust but he replied in the negative, referring to the story as an 'idle bruil.' The interview then ended; but as I came away I observed on the face of the crafty Monsignor Theuret an expression which I could not fathom. It seemed very like mirth, untimely as-"

Here the Consul was interrupted by the precipitate entrance of Titus, followed by three or

our other Americans.
" Hallo, Green!" said this brusque individual. 'Are you in the dumps? I'll enliven you

There was something in his tone, careless as t was, that fairly startled Green out of his official dignity.

'Merciful heavens!" exclaimed the Consul, what has happened now?"
Titus winked at the rost of the company. He

took a pipe from his pocket and reached for the tobacco box on the table, upsetting, as he Hd so, the contents of the Consul's inkstand over a pile of official papers. This accident did nd discompose him in the least. He couly filled his pipe and occupied himself for some minutes in emitting large rings of smoke, one after another, and then shooting little rings through the series.
"We are all of the Yankee persuasion, I sup-

pose," he said at inst, easting a giance of inquiry at me. I nedded in reply. Then Titus produced the document which we had seen him waving in the pierry.
"Here's a lark," said he, "I took this down

from the bulletin board in front of Papa Voliver's Foreign Office, this forencon. Lord for-give the theft! I did it for my country's sake." Then he proceeded to read, rapidly translating the French into English. We listened

dumfounded. Great beads of perspiration stoc upon Green's forehead. He clutched mechan ically at the papers on the table and inked the ends of his fingers. The document was an Edict, signed by Charle

III. himself, countersigned by the Chevalier Voliver, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and sealed with the great seal of the Principality. Stripped of verbiage, the Edict decreed:

First, that it should be unlawful for any subject of the Prince, or any foreigner sujourning within the boundaries of the Principality to engage in the American game called poker said game being dangerous to the public morals and subversive of existing institutions.

Secondly, that all obligations contracted by subjects of the Prince to subjects of the American President, through the game called poker. or otherwise, be thereby repudiated.
Thirdly, that thereforth no American subject

be permitted to enter the Principality of Mo naco, for business or for pleasure; that American subjects then in Monaco be allowed twentyfour hours from the promulgation of this Edict within which time they must leave the Principality, under penalty of imprisonment at the discretion of the Tribunal Superiour and con-Iscation of their effects.

All eyes were turned upon Green. It was some time before the Consul recovered the faculty of speech. " But this is unprecedented!" he exclaimed. "It is not only outrageous in general way, but it is specifically discourteous to me, personally and officially. I am the diplomatic representative of the United States, duly accredited to this Court. Here is an important paper, seriously affecting the relation between the two Governments, which, instead has been tacked on a bulletin board like a mis erable writ of attachment. Furthermore," h added as the enormity of the outrage grew up on him, "I have not only been ignored, in sulted, but I have been trifled with. This Edict must have been posted before my interview with the Hereditary Prince. It is infamous!"
"Well, fellowcitizens," said Titus, with a fight

"There is only one thing to do," replie Green. "Despatch a full and carefully worded statement of the affair to the Department of State at Washington, in order that Congress may take appropriate action." Titus sent forth a roar of laughter along with

augh, " what are we going to do about it?"

a cloud of smoke. "And meanwhile?" he de-manded. "I am inclined to think that in the present condition of our glorious navy it will be about two years and six months before we can expect to have a fleet of ironclads here."

"I suppose we must leave Monaco," said th

Consul, sadly. "We are at the mercy of an absolute and remorseless power." "Leave?" thundered Titus.
"Let us have your ideas, Mr. Titus," said I.
"Well," said Titus. "I propose to try my

hand at a State paper. I've undertaken toughe obs in my day. Get a sheet of clean foolscap. Green, and a good, sharp pen. Now write dow what I say."

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The Charles Honord, Prince of Monager.

When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for a mighty sation to avenge an injury sustained by her in the persons of some of her most valued citizent, the visitation of her wrath upon the offender is apt to be sharp, and deep most valued citizent. Unless your Educt of this date be revoked before nine clock to morrow, and due apalogy made for the same, we, the Umbel States of America: do hereby declare war against the Principality of Monaco on land, sea, unferground, and in the skies: and dod have mercy upon your soul!

(Signed)

Geonas Wassingrox Trus, Leanuander-in-thief.

Geonas Wassingros Trrus, Commander-in-Chief, Jons J. Green, Minister Plenipotentiary.

Jons J. Gauss.

Minister Plenipotentary.

"There! Green," said Titus, complacently.

"Now tell your man Giovanni to go and tack this little composition upon the bulletin board of the Foreign Office, and leave the rest to me,"

"But this is very irregular," protested the Consul, "The power to declare war is vested by the Constitution in Congress. Becan't declare war, Besides, there are always certain formalities to be observed."

"Damn your formalities!" rajoined Titus,
"In times of great national emergency like the present there is a higher law than the Constitution. In such a crisis men of action must come to the front. You can some in with your protects and preliminary drafts, and all that selemn rot, when we get to the negotiations for peace. I'm Commander-in-Chief just now. You and these other gentlemen must go around among the Americans here and tell om not to be alarmed, but to act precisely as if nothing had happened. That's General Order number one. Hold on a minute though. Is there any-body who understands the army signals?"

I respectfully informed the Commander-in-Chief that I was familiar with the code."

"Good!" said he. "You've got grit. I like the build of your chin. Say here with me. I constitute you Chief of Staff.

"Now," he continued, after the others had departed. "take four of the Consul's red slik handkerchiefs and make some little signal flacs. I have another important letter to write."

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The composition of this missive seemed to give him considerable trouble, for I had finished the flags long before he stopped writing. Finally he tossed me a sheet of note paper. I hate infernally to do this, he said, giving his moustache a tug, "but, hang it all, everything is fair in love and war."

The letter bore no address or signature:

Marawa: I have read your eves, and my heart is full of toy. They also read the black looks on the faces of your jealous and powerful relatives. If have seemed cold and undifferent it is because I cared to your peace of mind-not because I leaved for myself, believe me. Medana.

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"It's a confounded shame," remarked Titus, half to me, half to himself, "to bring her out into the damp early air at her age; but it can't be helped."

The Consul's valet now returned. He had palled the document upon the bulledin board, as Excellency had commanded, and there was niready an immense crowd collected around it. "Honor," cried Titus. "Now, Giovanni, I have shother commission for you. You are discrete." He gave him the letter and whispered a few words of direction. The intelligent I worlded. "And, by the way, Giovanni, ven aroon restricts." And, by the way, Giovanni, you are on pretty

"And, by the way, Giovanni, you are on pretty good terms with the arm;"

Yes, Excellency,"
"How much will it cost to get the army drunk to night?"

Very drunk, Excellency?"
"That is what I mean?"
Giovanni made a rapid calculation with the said of his fluyers. "About sixty france, I think, Excellency," he replied, with a broad grin. Thus handed him five napoleons.
An hear later I waked with the Commander-in-third along the western rampart—the fashionable afternoon promende in Monaco. Few Americans were to be seen, but on every hand there was evidence of an unusuality excited state combbe afternoon promeande in Monaco. Few Americans were to be seen, but on every hand there was evidence of an unusually excited state of popular feeling. We encountered scowls and audibly whispered insults at every stept but my companion walked on unconserned, with his long, swinging gait. "The Council of State is a session. There will be hot work to morrow," I overheard one subject of the Prince remarking to another. A ratile of drums, and De Mussiy marched briskly past us, at the head of a detachment of four carsbineers. Ladies waved their handberchiels at the military. "The Generalissimo is posting his sentinels," said Tius, "Luckily there are two cabes in Monaco to one soldier. Some of the shopkes pers were putting up their shutters, early in the day as it was. Suddenly Titus modified his pase, and his countenance assumed a singularly pensive expression. Three ladies were approaching us. I had only time to see that one of these, was inguished by the said only time to see that one of these, was inguished by in advance of the others, was a very stout person of middle age, estentationsly dressed and heavily rouged. As she passed in Titus took off his hat and made a profound and rather melancholy bow. The fat lady beat her eves to the ground. I thought I detected traces of a blush on those parts of her face which were not facilitiously red. Titus whispered in my ear. "The battle's ours."

At half past five o'clock on the morning of the momentous day, a strange thing happened near the Casino. The captive balloon, set free from the moorings that tied it to the earth at night. began to rise slowly and majestically through he mists of the early twilight. With a plunge or two to the right and loft, and a flutter as if of astonishment at being disturbed at such an unwonted hour, the vast spherold settled itself to its accustomed work, and shaped its course straight toward the zenith, as rapidly as the paying out of the rope permitted. A single individual operated the brake of the cylinder from which the rope unwound. That indi-vidual was myself. The car of the balloon carried two passengers. One was Titus; the other, a woman muffled in many wraps and

"Carissima!" Titus had whispered to his trembling companion as he helped her into the trade; basket. "It is our only chance of flight. We ruttion

should certainly be arrested at the frontier if we attempted to escape by land." A gentle gurgle of tenderness and helplessness was the

only response.

I watched the vaguely outlined bulk as it asended to the length of the rope. The ligh breeze from the west extried the balloon directly over the Palace, where it rested motionless at a height of five or six hundred feet.

When I left the Casino grounds I stopped over the prostrate form of a sentinel, snoring lustily upon the pavement. The streets were deserted. but I passed one café which had been open all night. Giancing through the doorway, I saw a dozen of De Mussly's red-uniformed veterans in various stages of intoxication. Those who were still sober enough to sing were shouting a war song, the refrain of which menaced m native land with unutterable doom. Giovanni's five napeleons had done their work.

Three hours later I finished a comfortable

breakfast at my hotel and sallied forth to find the Consul. The situation had changed. The city was wide awake now, and indescribable confusion prevailed. The entire population surged through the streets leading to the Palace and the Casino. Business was everywhere suspended. A few carabineers were seen here and there, seedy in the face and shaky in the legs. The Generalissimo was making desperate efforts to collect his demoral-ized army. On the balcony in front of the Palace, whence we had witnessed the brilliant review of the army on the day before, stood the Prince and several members of his family, surrounded by Ministers of State. Among the latter I recognized the sinister visage of Monsignor Theuret. The plazza and the adjoining streets were througed with people. All eyes were turned upward to the balloon, which still floated over the Paince, the only tranquil object

in the tumultuous scene.

As seen as Titus had shown his face to the crowd below, there had been a rush to the windless with the intention of winding in the rope and recapturing the balloon. But Titus, ear, ing over the side of the basket, had branlished a long bowle knife in a way that left no doubt of his purpose to cut the balloon free if any attempt should be made to haul it down. He was thus far master of the situation. The enemy remained imactive, undecided what ourse to pursue; the dignitaries upon the balcony were earnestly engaged in conference.

In the piazza, just under the balcony, I espied the Consul in the centre of a little knot of Americans. With some difficulty I elbowed my way to the spot. A murmur from the crowd drew my attention

to the balloon. Titus was making certain motions with two small red flags. I produced two similar flags from beneath my waistcost, Communication was thus established between the two divisions of the United States army The Duomo clock struck nine.
"Ask if the Edict is revoked," signalled Titus.

I translated the message to the Consul, who put the question to the balcony in a loud voice and in the most approved terms of diplomacy. Mensignor Theuret, speaking for the Government of Monaco, replied with a sneer: "The Edict is not revoked. Its provisions relating to the arrest of Americans found within our territories will be carried into effect in precisely one nour." This answer was conveyed to Titus. "Declare Monaco in a state of siegel"

his prompt rejainder.

The cool audacity of this approuncement produced a visible effect upon the populace. What mysterious power had this man in the sky, who niked with little flags and calmly defled a Prince with an army and navy? What was coming next? Theuret rotained his presence of mind. "Let

the rope be cut," he shouted. " Then the wind will blow this impudent American scoundrel over into Italy. We shall be well rid of him at the price of a balloon.

Again there was a rush toward the rope and

nundred knives were ready to do the work.

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The Prince was regarding Theuret's manifestations of jealous frenzy with searching eyes. Then he summoned De Mussly and gave him a command, haudble to those below. Two solders removed Monsignor Theuret from the balcony. "The Bishop is arrested!" cried the crowd, all agaic at the unexpected incident. "Now, Monsieur," said the Prince, addressing Consul Green, "what are your demands? It seems that in some inexplicable way you

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"Now, Monstenr." said the Prince, addressing Consul Green, "what are your demands? It seems that in some inexplicable way you have succeeded in kidnapping our sister. What ransom do you require of its?"

After some signalling, Green reported the ultimatum which Thus propounded: The revocation of the Edict, the restoration of American citizens to an equality with the subjects of the most privileged nation, the restablishment of the game of poker, the Prince's own guarantes for the payment of all debts due to American citizens and the fulfillment of all contracts with American citizens, and an indomnity of ten thousand france for the expenses and anxieties of the war.

There was a long consultation upon the balcony. At last the Prince was seen to shake his head, as if in reply four guments intended to dissuade him from some settled plan of action. The Chevalier Volver stepped forward from the group and said:

"His Screne and Most Christian Highness has wavered between the natural affection which he entertains for his stater, Madame the Princess, and his duty toward his subjects. The struggle is now at an end. Bifterly as he regrets one result of his decision, he feels that he must place the interests of the people of Monneo above family ties. He sawafice her Highness to duty. The Edict will go into effect atten o'clock. He commands that the rope be cot, and the balloon set adrift."

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In two minutes peace was reestablished.

The war was over. Secured by the most explicit guarantees from the Government of Charles III., the victorious Commander allowed himself to be pulled down from the skies. Still holding the dreaded tin can in one hand, with the other he gallantly assisted his lady explica-from the car of the balloon, and led her to the balcony of the Palace.
"Serene Highness," he said, as he respect-

fully consigned the Princess Florestine to the care of her august brother, "I regret that the necessities of war compelled me to make a prisoner of Madame the Princess, who was abroad early this morning on a mission of obroad early this morning on a mission of charity.

The Prince bowed in silence. The Princess's eyes were fixed upon the floor.

"And, Screne Highness," continued Tites, "I implore you to believe that I would not risk the processes life of so exalted a lastr by putting her in presimily with a dangerously large amount of dynamics." of dynamite."
So saving, he tossed the can over the balus-trade. It fell upon the pavement with an empty

EDDY THICK AND EDDY THIN.

Appearing to Thirty-stath Street.

The Eddy brothers, from Spirit Vale, Vt. gave a spiritual seunce on Sunday to Fast Thirty-sixth street. One is thick and close shaved; the other is thin, and has a black moustache and imperial. A third man collected a dollar from each visitor, and led the singing, which was execrable enough to frighten away the most adventurous spirit. A very large part of the hour and a half required for the exhibition was consumed in the doleful chanting of "John Brown's Body," 'Sweet Spirit, Hear my Prayer," "I Have a Mother in the Spirit Land," and other tunes appropriate to ghostly visitations. There are two cabinets in opposite corners of the room One is made by rough pine boards placed across the corner of the room so as to form triangular closet, with the wide end large enough to admit a chair. An opening in the partition, about two feet wide, is covered with a curtain, which is thrown aside when the materialized form appears.

The performance began by an announce

ment that any one could examine the board cabinet. The audience consisted of six men and two women. Two of the men turned out to be skeptics, one was doubtful, and the remainder appeared to be on good terms with the Eddy brothers. Then the thick Eddy went into the cabinet, and the lights were turned down very low, so that the cabinet was quite in the shade. On the floor in front of the cabinet was a small platform scale, which was used to weigh most of the spirits. The weighing was always done by one of the women, who fixed the bal-ance in the dark, and then the young man who collected the dollars lit a match and announced the weight. But before the match was lit the the weight. But before the match was lit the spirit invariably retired. Ostensibly, there was a variety of spirits, comprising those who formerly exhibited themselves in Vermont, including Warbita, Mrs. Eaton, the White Spirit of the Mountain, and a melancholy Mr. Baker. There was also a young girl, but she was very robust. The principal controlling suirit seemed to be Mrs. Eaton, who kept up a running first of conversation with some of the andience; but she was always behind the curtain when she spoke. Among other interesting communications that she made was the following: "I wish there were more ladies here and then I would bring in the spirit of Minnie with a beautiful buoquet. But I can't bring the buoquet unless there is a large circle." "Sit closer there and you will sing better; it sounds very poorly." I've seen William here; he was a blue light-Presbyterian when he died, but now he is a believer. They've all got to come to it, black or blue." he is a believer. They've all got to come to it, binck or blue."

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note man who was called "Doctor." They were
presumably his dead patients. But, except
Mrs. Eaton, the appartitions did little talking,
and that little was generally when the elevated
railway trains were pussing the corner, which
made the words indistinct. The moment a
spirit emerged from behind the curtain the
spectators would begin to ask. "Is it for me?"
The spirit always proved to be a visitor to some
one of them, not a skeutic. Two or three times
the spirit was announced in most instances
by the young man who collected the dollars,
and he volunteered the information that on the
previous night the spirit weighed a certain
amount, mentioning a different weight from
the one just announced. The spirits always
kept close to the curtain, as though shy.
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the muffled tones of a ventriloquist, often joined in the singing. This port of the performance occupied about an hour. The amount of information brought from the spirit world was meegre, but the Doctor said it was very satisfactory, and was much elated at a communication which he said was given in the Polish language, just as an elevated railway train was passing. Finally, the voice of the thick Eddy, from within the cabluct, announced that the air had become so vitiated that further materialization would be impossible. He went out, and returned in a little while looking thinner.

The next part of the exhibition was given by the thin Eddy, whose cabinet was made by stringing a curtain across a corner of the room, the top being about four feet high. The curtain was thrown aside, and the thin Eddy said. "There is my cabinet, any one can examine it." All that was visible was a table on which was a guitar, bells, glasses, and other articles with which a noise could be made. When the curtain was drawn in front, the thin Eddy took a sent on a chair within easy reach of a guitar, but for the curtain behind him. He invited a young man from the audience to join him. He said this young man was not a confederate, and the young man said so, too. The formerly fat Eddy drew a blanket in front of the thin Eddy and the young man, not a confederate, who sat beste him, so that only their heads could be seen. Then the But Theuret, who had been steadily gazing upward, was seen to turn as pale as death and to grasp at the ballotrate for support.

"Basta ! Basta !" he cried. "Cut not that tope, if you value your lives! The Princess is in the balloon!"

But the balloon!"

But the cough, the round, red face of the Princess was visible over the wickorwork of the car. A howi of astonishment and dismay went up from the crowd. The little knot of Americans answered the low! with a cheer. "Tims has won the game?" said the Consul. But the agriculton of Monstanor Theuret was even greater than circumstances and random to hear. A how both lists at the balloon, and stricked, as if he expected Madame to hear. "As, Florestine, faithless! I suspected as much, also," said the Consul, in an undertone, "Westended weren." Something the liquid, would become the warrate friends when the less and other articles with which a noise could be made. When the Eddy took a gantar was not a gazinar was man from the audience to join him. He invited a roung man was not a confederate, and the young man said so, too. The formerly fat Eddy drew a blanket in front of the thin Eddy and the young man said so, too. The formerly fat Eddy drew a blanket in front of the thin Eddy and the young man said so, too. The formerly fat Eddy drew a blanket in front of the firm the drew as an in probability, the source of ever more serious interest and study fo hundreds. John E Franchann, M. D., Shanket in front of the firm the firm was the was a guitar was a guitar was a guitar, but none of them been readily explainable if the young man had been a confederate. Severally explainable if the young man had been a confederate. Severally explainable if the young man surface of the lower than the firm of the time fady and the young man surface of the lower the went of the guitar was a furner to the fat the young and the young man had been a confederate. Several of a guitar was a furner to the fat the young and the young man had been a confederate. Several of a guitar was a furner to the hree stout fellows out to expose it some night

CAPTAIN MONQUERON.

Appointed a Naval Officer Under Napoleon I. Capt. David Augustus Mosqueron, a venerable French naval officer, who was commis-

sioned a midshipman and commander of a frigate by order of the Emperor Napoleon L. and who also served under King Louis XVIII., died at his home in Elizabeth, N. J., on Sunday evening. He was born at Cherbourg, France, in 1791, and was graduated at the naval academy in Brest. His father, M. Guion Mosqueron, was one of the wealthiest merchants in Cherbourg. and he had the sanction of the French Govern ment in sending out privateers against British merchaptmen and trading vessels. One of his vessels, Le Anguin, under command of Capt. Aognon, captured the British ships Hoffnung

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SQUARE NUMBERS.

The Use that was Made of Them in Prepur-

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir : In to-day's interesting account of "the game of fifteen" you mention that the puzzle, when sixteen blocks are used and the sum of thirtyfour obtained horizontally, vertically, and diagonally, is not a new one, but has for many years existed in fresco at the "Castle" on Bergen Heights. The same puzzle, and many more of a similar and even more intricate of years. The physicians and alchemists, as well as monks of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, spent a great part of their time in creating and solving them.

In the appendix of the tenth volume of the works of Paracelsus, published at Basic, in 1591, very many curious things are to be met with, particularly in the part called "Liber Septimus Archidoxis Magicæ; De Sigillis Planetarum." Herein the author gives minute directions for the preparation of scale-sigilla directions for the preparation of seals—sigilla, or medals—of the various planets, believing them to bring to the peasessor either luck or misfortane, according as the planets were in a favorable or unfavorable aspect at the time of such preparation. The sigillum of Jupiter was to be made of a circular piece of English tin, and upon one of its surfaces was to be cut a large square, subdivided into sixteen smaller ones, with the numbers from one to sixteen so arranged as to count thirty-four either way. The following is the arrangement:

18 3 2 13 5 10 11 8 9 6 7 12 4 15 14 1

On the reverse was to be stamped the likeness of the planet, namely, a priestlike and learned man reading a book, with a star upon his forehead and surrounded by the name Jupiter. This charm was to be made on a Thursday when the moon was in its first quarter and entering Libra, and, when finished, to be worn in a blue slik bag. Its possessor was sure to experience love, kindness, and favors from all his fellow men, and wherever it was placed by him there would everything be increased for him a hundred fold. It insured success in every business veatures and dissipated all fear.

The sigillum of Mars, made of Cornish fron, besides having on one side the figure of the planet, was to contain upon the other 25 small squares within a larger one, and the numbers from 1 to 25 so arranged as to count 55 either way, and was to be made when the planet was in a lavorable condition, sand, when finished, encased in a red slik bag. The following is the arrangement:

11	24	7	20	3
4	12	25	8	16
17	6	13	21	9
10	18	1	14	23
23	6	10	2	15

The wearer of this would possess superhuman strength, and would come off victorious in every conflict, overcome all his enemies, and never receive an injury. The fortress beneath whose walls such a charm was buried would be impregnable, and laugh its besiegers to scorn; such powers did this signifium receive from its planet. But great care was to be taken lest this modal should be struck when the planet was leaving the sun, as then its possessor would meet with all kinds of reverses, and be the buffet of fortune. Its presence, under such directionstances, insured strile, anger, envy, and general misfortune.

The signifium of Saturn, made of lead, and containing nine squares counting fifteen each way, was particularly efficacious when worn by pregnant women, obvisting all danger of premature birth, procuring for them a happy delivery, as well as steadily augmenting the family circle. All cavairymen and sportsmen would be forever Ireed from the danger of being unhorsed by wearing the medal in their left boot leg.

The signifium of Venus, made of pure copper

The significant of Venus, made of pure copper The sigillum of Venus, made of pure copper and covered with green silk, contained 49 squares, sounting 175 each way, and was most wonderfully efficacious in all cases of love. If placed in a goblet of wine or water and offered to one's most deadly enemy, that person, upon drinking the liquid, would become the warmest friend. In the same manner were coy and diffident maidens to be attracted by the sterner sex. Its influence was irresistible.

What is puzzling so many of our fellow citizens was, in all probability, the source of even more serious interest and study to hundreds of thousands of people long since dead.

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The Largest Ship Owner in the World Tell-MONTREAL, Feb. 27 .- Sir Hugh Allan, the millionaire head of the largest shipping firm in the world, came before a large audience here last evening to relate, for the benefit of the

after receiving a common school education in his native Ayrshire, Scotland, he entered, at 15 years of age, a shipping house in Greenock. where he remained one year. By the advice of his father, who was a ship Captain engaged in the trade between the Clyde and Montreal, he went to Canada, arriving in Montreal on May 21, 1826. At that time there was only one steamer, a small tugboat, on the St. Lawone SVIII., died on Sunday even in the survey. Start in the Montreal as situation as clerk in his store, which was accepted. He remained in the survey and the survey of fered by a follow passenger who was in the dry of the naval academy at Mosqueon, as in the control of the survey reserved in the survey of the survey of the rence. The aspect of Montreal was very different to what it is at present, there being no

OUR CENTENARIANS.

People who have Ontlived Thressore Year

Daniel Dockles died at Pendels, Pa., at 108.

Mrs. Nancy Balley of Gallipolis, O., died at 102.

Mrs. Ann Collins of Boyd County, Ky., claims to be 116.

The last word of John M. Rebbolds of Beading, Pa., aged 101, was "Beer,"

aged 101, was "heer."
The ninety ninth birthday of "nomes Robens of Wilton,
N. T., has been celebrated.
Mrs. Zola Whitcombt of Cohreset, Mass., died just as
she was completing a number.

John Levinson, the cideas man in Moumouth County,
N. J., is labe and hearty at 105. Mrs. Mary N. Brister of Washington, Pa., will complete a century if she if ces until June.
The oldest person in Charlotte, N. C., Is dead at 104. This was Estha Wallace, colored. Smyrns, Del., has its centenarian in Mrs. Ann Demry, who has passed her 102d birthitay. When 81. Ann McKehna emigrated from Ireland. She died at 100, a few days ago, in this city.

Eli Reed of Bridgewater, Pa., is in his 90th year, and only recently lost a sixter who was 106. Margaret Dotterwich enjoyed 100 years of single bless-edness, and then died at Paterson, N. J. John D. Stout of Mercer County, N. J., and Judith Rid-on of Hollis, Me., were each 97 at death. Mr. Mary Jane Roselle of Oswega, N.Y., is as straight and symmetrical as a girl, though she is I G. Hugh Ross of North Lebanon, N. H., is cutting his wood and doing his own barn work, being hale at the

After remaining in the ministry over seventy years, Dr. Jacob Lie, of West Modway, Mass., died at 83. Welcome Cole of Ningara Falls exhibits with pride a wo-den plough which he mule in 1870. He is 30. After being residents of New York over thinly years, Phebe Davis died at 193, and Caroline Levy at 103. Mrs. Pruits and her husband, George, were the oldest Without experience of disease, and ignorant of the tasts of nontrums. Mrs. Diza Richardson died in Chicago at 93, One of the three oldest native born residents of Con-cord, N. H., died in the person of Mrs. Sophia White, in her 22d year.

ing. He is 99.

Lewis Rockwell of Green, Pa., after living over a century, has applied to the courts to compel his sons, who are well to do, to suppose him.

Dancing on her 107th birthday was a feat by Mrs. Donach Bloodgood of Perth Amboy, N.J. She soon afterward met her death through a fall.

In France there are 194 individuals over 100 years old. They are 114 widows, 49 widowers, 22 maids, ten wives, three husbands, and five bachulors. Mrs. Mary N. Brister of Washinston, Pa., is entering her centennial year. Her father walked from Philadelphia to Cincinnati to visit a relative when he was 103. At a leap year ball Gov. Roberts of Texas danced in comespun with seven young laties, and the next day commuted two death sentences. He is nearly 80. Jane Weaver died at Maidstone, England, aged 105, Her hosband died ten years age, aged 100; her father was 103 at death, and her grandiather lived to 105. Robert Wallace of St. John's, N. B., was 102 when he died. He Joined the British army at the time of the Irish rebellion in 1798, and marched to Waterloo in 1815. Enoch Coffein of Waterbory, VL, danced an old-fash-loned breakdown on his 880) birthday with aginty. A recentificat was to saw a cord of wood in nine nours. Although Mrs. Mary Way of Lansingburgh, N. Y., had completed a contary, she executed a plece of the sewing without the fill of glasses a few days before her death.

Courad Hayer was the first male white child born in Walloboro, Mo. He walked to a village, distant five miles, when he was 103, and was closing his 107th year when he died. Mrs. Bleanor McCrae of Keese, N. H., took a husband in 1842, and barried with him three years aco, when he died at 93. She bad a fall the other day, which caused her death at 94. The last pensioner on the rolls known to have been with Lommodors Perry at the victory on Lake Kri-has just died. He was John Rice, aged 98. He loved military life, and was buried with the bonors of war.

Sir Moses Monteflore, the eminent Jewish banker, has enchrated his ninetweight birtuday. He was keighted by the Queen in 1837, the year of her accession to the throne, and made a baronet ten years later. At the Harwinton (Conn.) fair last tail, Mrs. Ursula Humphreville drove a mowing machine around the meadow sher ridine dight miles in a wagon. She was then just closing a century. In her youth she was the weakilest of seven sisters.

Mary Jerome of New London. Conn., was sent away for sately during the war of 1812, whon British ships blockaded Decatur's fleet in the harbor; but that was the only time site was beyond the town limits 3he is just closing a century of life, and was never in a railroad car. A bill is being pushed by Sonator Sollins for the relief of David Wingate of Rochester, S. H., who was selzed by a press gaing and forced into the English service at the commencement of the war of 1812. He refused to fight aranust his country, and was kept at Dartmoor prison. He is now in his \$2d year.

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Jeremiah Austill, who died in Clarke County, Ala, a
few days ago, axed 30, was the hero of a fight with the
warriors of Tecumseh. In 1813, while bouting on the
Alabama River, cleven Indians shot out from the shore
in a cause, and a hand-to-hand fight ensued with the
butts of the rifles. The story rune that Austill brained
the chief and drowned the ten others.

Charles H. Onkes was scarcely eighty when he died at Chicago recently, yet he was one of the Western pioneers. In the winter of 1927 his larder was reduced to vinegar, butter, and deerskins. He subsisted for some days on pickled and buttered strips of deerskin. When the vinegar and butter were sone, he lived for several days on roasted bits of skin and acoms due from under the snow.

In the course of a recent key period, the horse of A. J. Harriman of Beltast, Mc., slipped his halter and went to the blacksmith alone, to have its shoes sharpened.

The Bural Cemetery at Albany has been selected by a wild deer as a piace of resort. It has frustrated every effort to capture it thus far, and when alarmed it takes to the densely wooded ravines.

As Enrilsh bishop has a parrat which, at proper seasons and appropriately to the circumstances, anys: "Let us pray." **smeatures devoutly and with becoming solening but again sarcastically or ironically. A Muddichurg. Pa., mouse tunnelled an ear of corn. A Madichurg, Pa., mouse tunnelled an ear of corn, aulti live ness in 12, and was twins on the resis on the contede. The ear was \$5, inches in length and 95 inches in circumference, and it contained 1,000 grains of orm. A drunken sparrow was receivily seen on the streets of Easton, Pa., and was nucked spand careful for by a peanul vender until it became suber. Some one had dropped a thick of whiskey on the sidewalk and the bird drank of the liquor until it staggered and fell.

Monkeys are caught in africa by means of fermented beer. Its pinced by the natives within reach, and as soon as one mankey tastes it he acreains with lay and many answer his call. They soon get too drank to realize the approach of a person, and are easily captured.

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D. T. Williams, late of Richmond. Va., had a dor that would take a basect to the woodelle, have it filled with clips, and bring it in his mouth to the house. Four pounds of borrowed flour was sent by the dog to a neighbor. On reaching this house he found it heard and the tokks away, so he took it under the house and laid by it until their return and then delivered it.

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A Yankee boy named Oliver, while passing through a wool in Maine, thrust his age into the holitow trunk of a tree, and a large black bear's head made its appearance. As he attempted to come out Oliver cut off three of his toes. Then the bear sprant for the lad, and he brought a wold-irreich flow upon his head, splitting it open from the base of the brain to the nose. The bear weighted 50 pounds, and measured nine feet from his asset to the thind paws.

A missionary living among the Dutch Boers of Natal says that a hunting party came upon a large heat of elections in and as they fred at the leader the entire help chants, and as they fred at the leader the entire help.